

## 2007 AASHTO Value Engineering Conference Seattle, Washington July 17 - 20, 2007

## **Conference Information**

#### **Who Should Attend**

Value Engineering Managers/Coordinators
Value Engineering Consultants
Transportation Agency Directors/ Managers
Transportation Project Engineers
Transportation Design Consultants
Transportation Planning Consultants
Transportation Contractors

#### Registration

Conference registration fees include admission to all sessions and conference-sponsored food and beverage functions, including the Tuesday night welcome reception and dinner, Wednesday night Argosy dinner cruise, Wednesday and Thursday luncheons, and Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday continental breakfasts, and breaks. The deadline for conference registration is June 15, 2007. A \$100 late fee will apply to any registrations received after June 15, 2007.

Hotel accommodations are NOT included and should be made by contacting the Crowne Plaza Hotel - Seattle directly prior to June 15, 2007.

#### **Cancellation Policy**

Notification of cancellation must be submitted in writing to the 2007 AASHTO Value Engineering Conference Committee. Notification by e-mail or fax is acceptable. Cancellations received by mail, fax, or e-mail no later than June 15, 2007, will be subject to a \$100 cancellation charge. No refunds will be given for any cancellation received after June 15, 2007. Substitutions are allowed at any time, but must be submitted in writing and must be of the same membership status. The 2007 AASHTO Value Engineering Conference is not responsible for hotel accommodation charges.

#### **Special Meal Requests**

The 2007 AASHTO Value Engineering Conference Committee will make every reasonable effort to accommodate dietary restrictions, although there may be an additional charge depending on availability at the Crowne Plaza Hotel or in the Seattle area. If you have dietary restrictions, please notify the 2007 AASHTO Value Engineering Conference Committee by June 15, 2007.

#### **Hotel Information**

Crowne Plaza Hotel
- Seattle
1113 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101

1-800-521-2762 or (206) 464-1980



Please make your own reservations by calling the Crowne Plaza Hotel - Seattle directly at:

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In order to receive the special conference room rate of \$136 (or prevailing government per diem rate for July 2007), reservations must be made by June 15, 2007. After this date, rooms are available at the hotel's standard rate on a space available basis only. The special conference room rate is available three days prior and three days after the conference.

When making your reservation, please reference the **AASHTO Value Engineering Conference** to ensure that you receive the conference room rate of \$136 (or prevailing government per diem rate for July 2007).

#### **Transportation**

Sea-Tac International Airport serves the Seattle area with most major US carriers.

The Crowne Plaza Hotel - Seattle does not provide shuttle service; however, shuttles are available from the airport to the Seattle downtown hotels.

The following charges are current as of September 2006 and may not be accurate at the time of the conference:

Shuttle Charge (one way): \$10.25 (USD) Taxi Charge (one way): \$35.00 (USD)

Travel time to downtown Seattle is approximately 30 minutes or more, depending on the mode of transportation and the traffic conditions

# Driving directions from Sea-Tac International Airport

Go straight onto N Exit Dr. Merge onto WA-518 E toward I-5/Seattle. Exit onto I-5 N toward Seattle. Take Seneca St. Exit, #165. Go straight at the stoplight. The hotel is on the left at the corner of 6th & Seneca.

The Crowne Plaza Hotel - Seattle provides valet parking only at \$27 per day. Self-parking is not available. No oversize trucks or SUVs.

#### **Royal Argosy Dinner Cruise**

Conference registration includes a delightful evening cruising on the waters of beautiful Puget Sound aboard the Royal Argosy. Buses will pick you up at the Crowne Plaza Hotel for the short ride to the Seattle Waterfront; or if you prefer, you can walk down the hill and meet us at the pier for this exciting three-hour cruise and dinner buffet. Be sure to register your guests and children - they won't want to miss this fun event!



### **Conference Schedule At a Glance**

Tuesday, July 17		Thursday, July 19	
12:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Conference Registration Open	7:00 am - 5:00 pm	Conference Registration Open
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Welcome Reception and Dinner	7:00 am - 8:00 am	Continental Breakfast
		8:00 am - 9:00 am	Concurrent Sessions
Wednesday, July 18		9:15 am - 10:15 am	Concurrent Sessions
7:00 am - 5:00 pm	Conference Registration Open	10:15 am - 10:45 am	Break
7:00 am - 8:00 am	Continental Breakfast	11:00 am - 11:45 am	Concurrent Sessions
8:00 am- 8:45 am	Opening Remarks	12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch and Speaker
8:45 am - 9:20 am	Washington State Department of Transportation Keynote Speaker	1:45 pm - 2:30 pm	Concurrent Sessions
9:20 am - 10:00 am	Federal Highway Administration Keynote Speaker	2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Break
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Break	3:00 pm - 3:45 pm	Concurrent Sessions
10:15 am - 10:30 am	Federal Highway Administration Awards	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Concurrent Sessions
10:30 am - 11:45 am	AASHTO Awards and Awards Showcase		
11:45 am - 12:45 pm	Lunch	Friday, July 20	
1:00 pm - 1:45 pm	Concurrent Sessions	7:00 am - 12:00 pm	Conference Registration Open
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm	Concurrent Sessions	7:00 am - 8:00 am	Continental Breakfast
2:45 pm - 3:15 pm	Break	8:00 am - 8:45 am	Concurrent Sessions
3:15 pm - 4:00 pm	Concurrent Sessions	8:45 am - 9:30 am	Break
4:15 pm - 5:00 pm	Concurrent Sessions	9:30 am - 11:00 am	Owners Panel - How to select VE consultants and expectations.  VE Consultant Panel - What is needed for
5:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Royal Argosy Dinner Cruise	9:30 am - 11:00 am	a successful VE study?
		11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Closing General Session